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The family with a good garden does not find it much trouble to reduce the cost of living this summer.

The corn crop in this section will be the best of any in many years. Irish potatoes, however, are almost a complete failure.

Work on the roads in Wise county has started in earnest, and now hundreds of men are at work on the different sections.

One of the greatest mistakes a man makes is thinking that he isn't going to make any.

Nine thousand feet above New York with no gasoline is almost as bad as to be down in it with no money.

"Safe and sane diet," says an exchange, "for hot weather: for breakfast iced tea and some pleasant recollections; for dinner, iced tea with thrilling anecdotes of adventure amid the icebergs; for supper some iced tea and a little cool hammock underneath a tree."

The special street car service over the dummy line is being well patronized, and is a great convenience to the people living near the two railroad stations who desire to come to town. We are glad to see this service patronized by our people, as it will probably result in an electric car system being put in here in the near future.

The Abingdon Virginian says: "The State's credit is being traduced when there is no ground for it, the press is being vilified, the judiciary is being maligned, honorable men are being denounced as corrupt, legislators are being classed as 'yellow dog'—all to build up the ambition of two men to be United States Senators from Virginia."

According to the Census Bureau, the sheep industry has not shown any material change since the last census in 1900. Excluding lambs, because of the difference in the time of year when the census was taken, it is shown that there were 39,470,312 wool-producing sheep in 1910, as compared with 39,852,967 for 1900. Correct figures are expected to show an actual decrease of about 1 per cent. from 1900. Taking the returns by geographical divisions, there was a decrease of about 1,000,000 sheep in the North Atlantic division, in the South Atlantic division there was a decrease of about 154,000, and in the South Central division the decrease was about 163,000. In the North Central division there was scarcely any change, 10,069,451 being reported in 1910, or only some 14,000 more than in 1900. The Western division showed an increase of about 1,000,000 sheep.

## Republican Committee

Commends Judge Skeen for the Position He Has Taken Relative to Vote Selling and Buying.

At a meeting of the County Committee of the Republican party of Wise county, Va., held at Norton, Va., July 29, 1911, the undersigned were appointed a committee to draft the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted by the County Committee at Wise August 5, viz:

"Whereas, Judge Skeen, of the Circuit Court of Wise county, Va., at the April term, 1911, of said county, in an address made from the bench in open court to the bar and the citizens of said county there assembled said: 'It is a notorious fact that for many years in Wise county, at each election, many voters are bought and bribed with money to vote for candidates for office to be elected at said election. This vote buying and selling has steadily increased from year to year until it has become alarming, and is sapping the nobility of our citizenship, and I am determined to stop this debasing traffic. I therefore now give the voters of Wise county fair warning, that if there are any voters bought or sold in Wise county at the next November 1911 election, I will have all such indicted, if I have to have every voter in Wise county summoned before the grand jury, and I will see to it that each offender found guilty will receive the full penalty of the law.'

"Resolved, That said County Committee commend Judge Skeen for the public position he has taken relative to the vote buying and selling.

Resolved, further, That we invite and request the County Committee of the Democratic party of Wise county, Va., to join our committee, in an earnest effort to suppress the buying and selling of votes at the next November election, and thus aid Judge Skeen in fully carrying out his said position; believing as we do, that all the voters of Wise county, irrespective of party affiliations, who desire honest elections, and election bribing eliminated from politics, will most heartily stand by Judge Skeen in his effort to stop vote buying and vote selling in Wise county.

"Resolved, further, Should said Democratic Committee accept and adopt the foregoing resolutions, that all the candidates for election at the next November election, be requested to sign an agreement, each obligating and binding himself not to buy, either directly or indirectly, nor knowingly permit anyone else to buy, either directly or indirectly, any votes before or at said November election, and that such agreement be signed in duplicate, one to be kept by the chairman of the Democratic party of Wise county and the other kept by the chairman of the Republican party of Wise county.

G. W. KILGORE,  
J. W. CROWSE,  
W. T. GOODLOE,  
T. M. PEPPER.

## Delegates Elected.

List of Delegates and Alternates at the Mass Meeting of the Republicans held at Wise, Va., on August 5, 1911, for the Senatorial Convention to be held at Big Stone Gap August 19, 1911.

**RICHMOND DISTRICT**  
DELEGATES—H. N. Collier, C. A. Bailey, C. G. Duffey, W. H. Sproles, T. G. Morris, W. R. Wilson, W. B. Peters, John W. Brotherton, R. J. Shepherd, R. J. Wilson, G. W. Kilbourn, Henry Taylor, A. L. Will.

ALTERNATES—S. P. Catron, W. H. Hobbs, G. H. Lentz, H. S. Qualls, John Dorton, F. G. Skeen, John Huneycutt, S. A. Collier, D. E. Ollinger, A. J. Payne, G. M. Brown, W. G. Banks, W. C. Giles.

**ROBERSON DISTRICT**  
DELEGATES—B. C. Roberson, John R. Hamilton, J. G. Dotson, J. C. Slemm.

ALTERNATES—L. R. Greer, John Riber, Henry Bowling, F. A. Carrio.

**LIPS DISTRICT**  
DELEGATES—S. W. Kerley, J. M. Moaders, W. R. Porter, J. M. Blackenbocker, Charles Hughes, J. O. Corder, A. L.

Kiser, W. V. Kiser, E. S. Clay.

ALTERNATES—Henry Lawson, C. O. Bolson, W. M. Hill, M. S. Compton, L. T. Meade, J. A. Cook, T. J. Cyphers, W. T. Adkins, P. H. Ringley.

**GLADEVILLE DISTRICT**

DELEGATES—Geo. H. Stallard, G. W. Beverly, Sr., W. H. Roberts, C. W. Renfro, J. D. Dorton, Geo. F. Hill, M. A. Wells, J. M. Renfro, W. A. Haah, Geo. A. Smith, H. W. Horne, S. A. Hill, J. N. Culbertson.

ALTERNATES—W. W. Killen, A. W. Friley, C. P. Addington, R. P. Hamilton, Geo. H. Miller, W. E. Wells, L. G. Day, A. L. P. Corder, J. S. Gilliam, S. L. Whitehead, W. H. Tunnell, W. T. Hopkins, Bob Davidson.

List of Delegates and Alternates to the District Legislative Convention to be held at Coeburn, Va., August 12, 1911.

**RICHMOND DISTRICT**

DELEGATES—S. P. Catron, W. H. Davidson, J. C. Fawbush, W. C. Stewart, J. E. Dorton, W. R. Wilson, D. E. Ollinger, W. B. Peters, R. J. Shepherd, R. J. Wilson, G. W. Kilbourn, Henry Taylor, A. L. Will.

ALTERNATES—H. N. Collier, C. A. Bailey, W. H. Hobbs, J. F. Wilson, W. N. Hood, P. H. Elkins, G. M. Brown, P. M. Strong, M. D. Collier, A. J. Payne, G. M. Brown, W. G. Banks, W. C. Giles.

**ROBERSON DISTRICT**

DELEGATES—J. W. Crowse, T. J. Addington, Jerry Hubbard, Noah Collins.

ALTERNATES—J. E. Allen, Lillburn Scott, John Dotson, R. D. Stallard.

**GLADEVILLE DISTRICT**

DELEGATES—J. D. Grubb, Samuel Wright, David Greene, C. T. Kilgore, D. C. Phipps, P. H. Addington, J. W. Huneycutt, T. M. Pepper, G. W. Jones, P. B. Bright, N. B. Smith, W. S. Powers, L. G. Day.

ALTERNATES—Jacob Kilgore, A. M. Vioz, G. W. Beverly, Jr., W. F. Haah, Leander Wells, S. H. Gilliam, H. B. Carden, M. M. Flannery, W. P. Beverly, H. H. Nickels, I. J. Davenport, Willard Gilliam, M. A. Wells.

**LIPS DISTRICT**

DELEGATES—Henry Glover, Henry Minton, A. B. Quillen, J. F. Ford, Andy Jordan, J. J. Pennington, A. P. Gibson, George Hensley, C. F. Counts.

ALTERNATES—Swin Howell, J. L. Lawson, W. R. Clarke, E. S. Meade, P. M. Alder, C. F. Rorer, G. K. Edwards, S. P. Davis, J. G. Vipperman.

## BUCHANAN CO. NEWS.

E. L. Dotson, postmaster at Ira, was tried before Commissioner F. H. Combs on a charge of using the U. S. mails for fraudulent purposes. He was held in bond of \$500 for his appearance at the next term of the Federal Court at Big Stone Gap. The case was tried here on Monday afternoon.

The Ritter Lumber Company commenced the erection of another mill at Hurley last week, on the same site where the other one was burned about a month ago. We understand that the work will be pushed rapidly.

The Russell Fork Transportation Company is doing a considerable business.

Luther Burbank, the seed and plant wizard, is now trying to perfect the seedless watermelons.

Ora Hall, convicted of arson, having been found guilty of burning James Charles' store, at Big Rock; and Corbin Rife, convicted of felonious assault upon his wife, have been taken to the Tazewell county jail for safe keeping until a guard arrives from Richmond to take them to the penitentiary.

Mr. D. C. Sloan has his plans made for another fine building, to be erected just west of the bank building, which is nearing completion. The second building is to be 30x80, feet and is to be made of brick, with a marble front. The ground floor will be a store room, finished in splendid style and supplied with every modern convenience. The second story of the building is to be an up-to-date opera house with a large stage and a seating capacity of 600. A wide stairway will lead from the sidewalk to this room.—Gate City Herald.

John C. Lewis, a negro school teacher of Stonega, Va., who was passing through Bristol Friday on his return home from Petersburg, where he has been attending the Summer Normal, went to sleep in a colored boarding house in Bristol, and while refreshing himself in slumber was touched to the extent of his pocketbook, containing \$11 in cash. A negro woman was suspected of the theft, was arrested, and will be tried today.—Bristol Herald-Courier.

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## Emancipation Celebration.

The colored people of Big Stone Gap and the coal fields met at Athletic Park here yesterday about 600 strong, in celebration of the Proclamation of Emancipation, which was carried out in a unique and original manner, with a parade from the Park through the principal streets; the participants using all manner of vehicles.

An address of welcome was made by Mayor W. H. Horton with response by the principal of the colored school, J. H. Byars. Addresses were made by Robt. E. Clay, of Bristol; Rev. J. M. Ewing and others. Two match games of baseball were played between the teams of Stonega, St. Charles and Big Stone Gap. The first game fell, by lot, to Stonega and Saint Charles, Stonega winning by a score of 8 to 7.

In the second game, which was for championship among the colored teams of the county, Big Stone Gap won from Stonega, the victors in the previous game, by a score of 10 to 7.

The day was ideal, and the good conduct was commented on by a number of white people who attended the various periods during the day. Music was furnished by the Dominion and Toms Creek bands.

Thomas Glover met with a very severe accident at Yuma Monday morning, as a result of which he lost his left hand. He and Hiram Taylor were cutting stove wood with the slab saw at Davidson's mill when he struck his hand against the rapidly revolving saw. His hand was sawed open back almost to the wrist.—Gate City Herald.

George Roebuck, the Masonic Home boy, who wrote and produced "Beatrice of the Cumberland," a three-act drama, is the author of another play, "When Norton Burst Into Flower" is the title. It has to do with the history of the little town of Norton. The play was produced in that town successfully last Friday night.—Richmond News Leader.

A GREAT DETECTIVE STORY WRITER.

The Peter Ruff Adventures in the New York Sunday World are from the pen of the world-famous writer, E. Phillips Oppenheim, author of The Yellow Crayon, The Mysterious Mr. Sabin, The Moving Finger, The Traitor, The Prince of Sinners, etc., etc. Getting these stories in the New York Sunday World Magazine is an opportunity not to be missed.

The politicians in Washington are much interested in the action of Georgia in electing Hoke Smith to the United States Senate. It is conceded on all sides that Hoke Smith will not only be a strong but a national figure in the Senate. He is a man of large wealth, unusual ability and honesty to the back bone. It will be recalled that he was Secretary of the Interior Department under Cleveland's second administration. It was reported back in those days when trust busting was in its infancy that Hoke Smith severely criticized Richard Olney, Cleveland's Attorney General, for not prosecuting the trust. But Richard Olney was never known to do such a thing. Olney replied that he had no evidence that there was such a thing as a trust. It is believed that Hoke Smith will soon assume leadership of the progressive elements, of both Republicans and Democrats in the Senate.

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